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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: HAMMER, Mordechai  
Serial No. : 08/894,211  
Filed : July 30, 1997  
For : EXTENSIBLE AND RETRACTABLE  
ELEMENTS AND VARIOUS USES FOR THE  
ELEMENTS

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Examiner: A. Knight

Raanana, Israel  
July 16, 2001

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION  
FOR FILING AMENDMENT AND NOTICE OF APPEAL

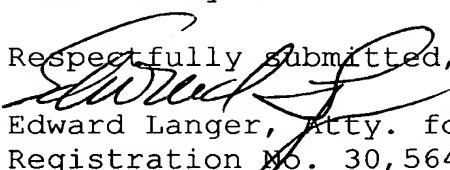
In accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time for response to the Final Office Action mailed January 19, 2001, setting a three-month period for response, for which purpose there is enclosed herewith a credit card payment form in the amount of \$445.00 to cover the required three-month extension fee, up to and including Thursday July 19, 2001.

The accompanying amendment presents no new claims, and it is believed that no additional filing fee is required.

The Notice of Appeal from the Final Office Action is also attached herewith.

In the event of an insufficiency or omission in the fee, please contact me immediately so that I may arrange for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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